



REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF:

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
HEADQUARTERS, 8TH ARMY  
UNIT #15236  
APO AP 96205-5236

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MEMORANDUM FOR All 8th Army Assigned Soldiers and Civilian Employees

SUBJECT: 8th Army Command Policy Letter #12 - Domestic Abuse

1. References:

a. Department of Defense Instruction 6400.06, Domestic Abuse Involving Department of Defense Military and Certain Affiliated Personnel, 21 August 2007.

b. Department of Defense (DoD) Publication 6025.18-R, DoD Health Information Privacy Regulation, 24 January 2003.

c. Army Regulation (AR) 608-18, The Army Family Advocacy Program, 30 October 2007.

d. All Army Activities (ALARACT) 078/2006, Restricted Reporting Policy for Incidents of Domestic Abuse, DTG: 102004Z April 2006.

2. Purpose. To provide guidance and establish policy to promote a command climate that encourages victims to seek treatment for incidents of domestic abuse without fear, retribution or intimidation within 8th Army.

3. Background. The Army is fully committed to ensuring victims of domestic abuse are protected by being treated with fairness, dignity, and respect, as well as being provided victim advocacy services, medical treatment, and counseling services. Army policy prefers that personnel report all suspected cases of domestic abuse promptly to activate victim services and accountability actions.

4. Discussion. I expect commanders, supervisors, and leaders at every level to take responsibility for both the prevention of, and appropriate corrective action in eliminating, domestic abuse. Victims of domestic abuse have two reporting options from which to choose. These options are unrestricted and restricted reporting. Leaders will not preclude or hinder personnel from using either option.

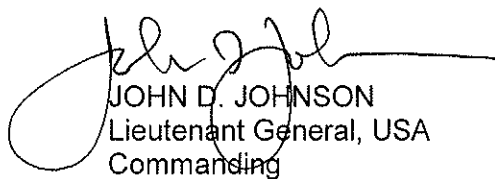
a. Unrestricted Reporting. This option allows a victim of domestic abuse to report the incident to any of the following domestic abuse service providers: Area Family Advocacy Program Managers (FAPMs), Family Advocacy Program Victim Advocates (FAPVAs), Health Care Providers (HCPs), chaplains, the chain of command, Military Law Enforcement, and the Criminal Investigative Division (CID). The victim will receive victim advocacy/counseling services and medical treatment, and an official investigation of the allegation will commence. Details of the incident, however, will be released only to those personnel who have a legitimate need to know.

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b. Restricted Reporting. This option allows an adult victim of domestic abuse to confidentially disclose details of the incident to specified individuals and to receive victim advocacy/counseling services and medical treatment without triggering an official investigation or notification to the chain of command. To exercise this option, the victim may only report the domestic abuse incident to a FAPM, FAPVA, HCP or chaplain.

5. Proponent. The 8th Army Assistant Chief of Staff G1 is the proponent for this policy. The proponent may be contacted at commercial 011-822-7914-3496 or DSN 315-724-3496.



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